THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (d) The Government has not constituted any Panel to suggest Tuition fee in the IITs and IIMs. However, the Department of Secondary and Higher Education, in November, 2002 has set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. U.R. Rao, Ex-Chairman, ISRO, to review the functioning of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), to redefine the role of the AICTE in view of the emerging changes etc. The Committee in its report, *inter-alia,* observed that in order to encourage technical education and make it affordable, fees should be pegged to 30% of India's per capita income, or Rs. 6000/- per year. The observation of the Review Committee was in respect of technical education as a whole and not specifically regarding IIT and IIMs. The recommendation on tuition fee was not included in the Terms of Reference of the Review Committee.

Legislation for SEZs

*15. SHRI RAMAMUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:

SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether ;it is a fact that to create a stable investment climate to attract huge investments, Government propose to enact a legislation for the Special Economic Zones;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) whether the legislation proposes to give income-tax benefits on reinvestment of profits for ten years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Government intends to enact a legislation for the Special Economic Zones covering all aspects of their establishment, operation and fiscal regime. No conclusive decision has been taken on the contents.